



Volunteers needed for cemetery ceremony

The wing needs volunteers to serve as escorts and ushers for distinguished visitors during the May 26 memorial ceremony at the Cambridge American Military Cemetery. People interested should call Capt. Steve Sales at Ext. 7121 or Capt. Joe Browning at Ext. 2012.

Wing smashes past AFAF fund-raising goal

Members of RAF Lakenheath raised more than 120 percent of the finishing goal in this year's Air Force Assistance Fund campaign.

As of late last week, more than \$47,000 had been raised for the fund, according to 2nd Lt. Evan Pitts, wing project officer for the AFAF fundraiser. That's more than \$7,000 above the wing goal of \$39,183.

"My hat's off to everyone who contributed to this year's AFAF campaign," said Col. Doug Richardson, 48th Fighter Wing commander.

"The AFAF is a marvelous charity that supports the Air Force family in times of need. The fact that we beat our fund-raising goal proves how strong our community really is."

Center explains wear of badges for combined career fields

RANDOLPH AFB, Texas (AFNS)—Occupational badges were recently approved for those who became communications and information officers and manpower and personnel officers.

Officers in former Air Force Specialty Codes 13BXF, adjutants; 33SX, communication-computers; 33VX, visual information; and 37AX, information management, who integrated into the communications and information career field, will wear the communications and information badge and maintain the same level — basic, senior or master — as worn on their previous occupational badges, officials at the Air Force Personnel Center said.

However, as of Nov. 1, 1996, stars and wreaths are "earned" on the new communications and information badge only.

Former information management officers who integrated into the mission support, personnel career field (36XX), may also wear the manpower and personnel badge at the same level — basic, senior or master — as worn on their previous badge.

IM officers who crossflowed into the personnel career field prior to Nov. 1, 1996, may

use their previous IM time to upgrade to the senior badge at the seven-year point and the master badge at the 15-year point, personnel officials said. This is because many former IM officers (e.g., squadron section commanders and unit executive officers) were responsible for overseeing personnel programs within their organizations.

Those IM officers previously awarded the information management badge can continue wearing the IM badge; however, if more than one badge is worn simultaneously, the badge reflecting their current job is worn in the top position.

AFPC is incorporating the changes to the occupational badges into Air Force Instruction 36-2923 covering aeronautical, duty and occupational badges.

For more information on badges and their wear, contact the military personnel flight at Ext. 1845. (Courtesy of AFPC news Service)

Air Force suspends Zenith DT-V contract

MAXWELL AFB, GUNTER ANNEX, Ala. (AFNS)—Officials at Standard Systems Group headquarters announced April 1 the immediate suspension of government computer orders from the Zenith Data Systems Desktop V Contract. The contract number is F01620-96-D-0003.

The suspension was based on ZDS' failure to sustain an acceptable level of performance on delivery and warranty, said Robert A. Frye, SSG's executive director.

He also said no new orders will be placed with ZDS at this time.

"Our prime concern is our government and Air Force customer," Frye said. "ZDS remains under contractual obligation to complete delivery on existing orders, and provide warranty service for five years and software upgrades for three years."

The ZDS delivery orders currently at the Air Force Central Order Processing Office and in the pipeline will be returned immediately to the appropriate issuing contracting offices. Customers may address questions to Veronica Alexander, Desktop V ZDS contracting officer, (334) 416-3377; or Capt. Wes Boychuk, Desktop V ZDS project manager, (334) 416-3282. The DSN prefix for Alexander or Boychuk is 596.

Contract offices may issue no-cost cancellation modifications to delivery orders, said Alexander. All modifications to delivery orders ZDS has already accepted will be forwarded to ZDS immediately.

"We didn't take this action lightly," said Frye. "Protecting our customers and the taxpayers' dollars is foremost in our mind and I want to assure the SSG customers that we are still here to serve their computer needs through the Hughes contract and other alternative sources of supply."

Standard Systems Group will post updates to this announcement on its web page at <http://www.ssg.gunter.af.mil/>, said Frye.

Liberty Warrior

"Can do" person of the week



Photo by SSgt. Valerie Weaver

SSgt. Daniel Clampitt

48th Communications Squadron

Hometown: Phoenix, Ariz.

Time in service: 10 years

Time on station: Nine months

Role in mission: I am the assistant NCO in charge of the customer support work center. I manage the computer help desk, job control and message center. These areas provide the 48th Fighter Wing with one point of contact for help with command and control, communication and computer outages as well as worldwide message services.

Hobbies: Fishing and metal detecting.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Teaching.

What do you like most about Britain? The history.

What would you do to make things better at RAF Lakenheath? I would provide curtains to families moving into family housing.

What is your greatest achievement? Being selected to work with Magnavox Corp. to upgrade a \$50 million mobile communications package

Why did you join the Air Force? For the educational benefits as well as travel opportunities.

Who is your role model and why? Bob Dole. After being left for dead on the battle field and overcoming crippling injuries, he rose to political office to ensure democracy for us all.

What do you like best about the Air Force? Working with people from all over the country and world.